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House Bill 851

By: Representative Jacobs of the 80<sup>th</sup>

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Part 9 of Article 8 of Chapter 2 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia
- 2 Annotated, relating to judges and other court employees and certain county employees as
- 3 members of the Employees' Retirement System of Georgia, so as to provide that a member
- 4 of such retirement system may obtain creditable service for certain prior service as an
- 5 employee of a community service board; to provide for application and payment; to provide
- 6 conditions for an effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
- 7 purposes.

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## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 SECTION 1.

- 10 Part 9 of Article 8 of Chapter 2 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
- 11 relating to judges and other court employees and certain county employees as members of
- 12 the Employees' Retirement System of Georgia, is amended by inserting at the end thereof
- 13 new Code section to read as follows:
- 14 "47-2-300.
- 15 (a) Any member who, immediately before becoming a member of this retirement system,
- was an employee of a community service board created by Code Section 37-2-6 and who,
- at the time of such service, was a vested, inactive member of this retirement system and had
- 18 not withdrawn his or her contributions from this retirement system, may obtain creditable
- service for such prior service as an employee of a community service board.
- 20 (b) In order to obtain creditable service as provided by this Code section, the member shall
- 21 make application to the board of trustees in such form as the board deems proper,
- accompanied by such evidence of prior employment as the board deems necessary and
- payment of the employer and employee contributions which would have been paid by or
- on behalf of the member if he or she had been a member of this retirement system during
- 25 the period covered, together with regular interest thereon.

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1 (c) Application and payment for the creditable service provided by this Code section must

be made not later than December 31, 2006."

3 SECTION 2.

- 4 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2006, only if it is determined to have been
- 5 concurrently funded as provided in Chapter 20 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia
- 6 Annotated, the "Public Retirement Systems Standards Law"; otherwise, this Act shall not
- 7 become effective and shall be automatically repealed in its entirety on July 1, 2006, as
- 8 required by subsection (a) of Code Section 47-20-50.

9 SECTION 3.

10 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.